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Federal Communications Commission
Re: GN Docket No. 25-133
Promote Policies Outlined by President Trump

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For consideration to current FCC rules, where OEM manufacturers have to supply technical information in order for their radio communication equipment to be used and or sold in the United States of America, I would like to request that in the equipment that is intended to be sold in the Hobby form of communications, especially in the Amateur Band and Citizen Band realm, that end user of this equipment are allowed to have copies of the technical service manuals or at a minimum, the technical schematic. This request is because it has always been the idea that the use of this equipment can be self-serviced and without the technical schematics of the equipment, this action is almost impossible.

All OEMs, ICOM, Yaesu, Anytone, Uniden, Cobra, Midland as of mid-2010's classify the technical side of the equipment, being the documentation of service as "Proprietary". They claim this is necessary to hold their market position and since they offer, "OEM" factory service, self-repair is not needed.

This situation basically forces end users to either pay the OEM service fees, wait for weeks for the repairs to be made or in many situations, the cost of shipping and those fees, warranty the equipment beyond repairs for the mere fact that new replacement equipment ends up being actually less than those repairs with shipping is tallied.

One of the main reasons radio enthusiasts enter these "Hobbyist" form of communications is to actually learn of such repairs and the satisfaction of self-performing this work.

Prior to this OEM change of stating the technical documents are "Proprietary" , most all of these OEMS included with each new radio purchase, the schematics so the buyer could, if they chose, self-repair in the future.

To thousands and I "Hobbyists" that own this equipment, the main reason the OEM companies stopped this practice of sending out the technical documents is to sell more new units for the reason mentioned above, that the price of repair becomes a hinderance. This situation has helped the market of older radios to be of higher value, same as this lack of technical documentation to repair new farm equipment and other forms many of us use in our day to day lives.

You might be wondering, how easy is this for the FCC to change? Simply, upon request from someone that owns the equipment to the FCC for the technical documents that have been supplied to the FCC for the authority of approval to be use in the USA, that information is granted. The current process, upon being asked via the "Freedom of Information", the FCC first contacts the OEM for permission to send and the request is denied because the OEM states, the technical service equipment is "Proprietary" and upon release would hinder their market value and possibly cause the equipment to be used in an un-authorized manner. The latter statement, equipment being used in an "Un-Authorized" manner should not be a concern because the FCC rules of such is clearly stated in each equipment category and is enforceable to the end user.

Please consider this change to release the technical documents the FCC has of this equipment in the range of Amateur Band and Citizen Band radio equipment so end users can self-perform repairs as the "Hobbyist" class of radio equipment was intended since the late 1940s.

Sincerely,

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